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Re: U.S. Utility Patent Application

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Fusion Constructs and Use of Same to Produce Antibodies With **Increased Fc Receptor Binding Affinity and Effector Function**

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Sir:

Transmitted herewith for appropriate action is a

- 1. Online Credit Card Payment Authorization for \$120.00 to cover a one (1) month extension of time fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a)(1);
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Respectfully submitted,

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